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1. An advanced training parachute school was located in Belgrade-Dedinje (Y 17/Y 21). In early July 1951, a new building at this school. It had been completed about two months before. Candidates could only apply for admission to this school after three years of training at an air force school and an additional year of service with tactical units. Only the best graduates from the air force school were admitted to the six-month training courses at this parachute school.

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2. Students who passed the final examination at the parachute school were assigned to the various parachute units. Officers and NCOs were also detached as instructors for parachute training to the SKOJ (savez komunisticke omladine Jugoslavije) an association of the Yugoslav communist youth. The commander of the parachute school was Yugoslav Air Force Colonel Stole Vukic, a national hero; the political officer was Captain Ivan Jokovic. *

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Comment. This is the first report on the advanced parachute school in Belgrade-Dedinje. The existence of this school is believed probable because much stress is laid on the training of parachutists in Yugoslavia. The names of the officers are reported for the first time.

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